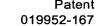
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IMPLANTABLE ELECTRODE LEAD

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -RESPONSE UNDER** 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Group Art Unit: 3762

Examiner: MARK BOCKELMAN

Confirmation No.: 6296

Title: IMPLANTABLE ELECTRODE LEAD AND IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL INSTRUMENT USING THE

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### AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir: Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed. Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\infty\$ \$55.00 (2814) \$\infty\$ \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed. Also enclosed is/are Small entity status is hereby claimed. Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the □ \$385.00 (2801) □ \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above. Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_\_ for which continued examination is requested. Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R.

enclosed.

A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also

§ 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

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TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 0.00		

A check in the amount	of is enclosed for the fee due.
Charge	to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.
Charge	to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

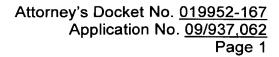
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# **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.